

Synthesis and Antibacterial Activity of Some Novel Schiff 'S-Bases Compounds Containing Oxadiazole Ring

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Abstract

Condensation of 4-methoxybenzoyl hydrazine with 4-aminobenzoic acid in the presence of POCl_3 gave the oxadiazole derivative [III]. This compound was demethylated with aluminum chloride to give series of 2-(4-hydroxy phenyl)-5-(4-amino phenyl)-1,3,4-oxadiazole [IV]. Series of Schiff's bases $[\text{V}]_n$ were synthesized by the condensation of compound [IV] with 4-n-alkoxy benzaldehyde in the presence of glacial acetic acid. Condensation of compounds $[\text{V}]_n$ with adipoyl chloride in dry pyridine leads to the formation of a new homologous series $[\text{VI}]_n$. The structures of the synthesized compounds were confirmed by physical and spectral means.

The new compounds $[\text{VI}]_n$ have been screened for their antibacterial activities. The results showed considerable antibacterial activity against *Escherichia Coli* (G-), but did not show any antibacterial activity against *Staphylococcus aureus* (G+).

Introduction

1,3,4-Oxadiazole derivatives play an important role in organic synthesis, since most of compounds of this type possess diverse biological activities, such as antifungal (1), anticonvulsant (2), anti-inflammatory (3) and antibacterial activities.

Amir et al., prepared a new compound of the 2-ethyl thio-5-[4-(hydroxyl benzylidene amino)phenyl]-1,3,4-oxadiazole has shown antibacterial activity against *E.coli* and *S.aureus* [4].

Recently, three compounds of 5,5-dimercapto-bis-[1,3,4-oxadiazol-2-yl] alkane exhibited both antibacterial and antifungal activities against *S.aureus* and *B.subtilis* [5] .

Schiff 's bases are important compounds since they have biological activity against bacteria and fungi. 2-alkylthio-5-benzylidene amino-thiazol has been shown to be strong antibacterial and antifungal [6] . Also, the Schiff 's bases posses anticancer (7,8) activity in animal screening .

Based on these findings , synthesis of some novel oxadiazole derivatives were carried out for the purpose of evaluation as antibacterial agent.

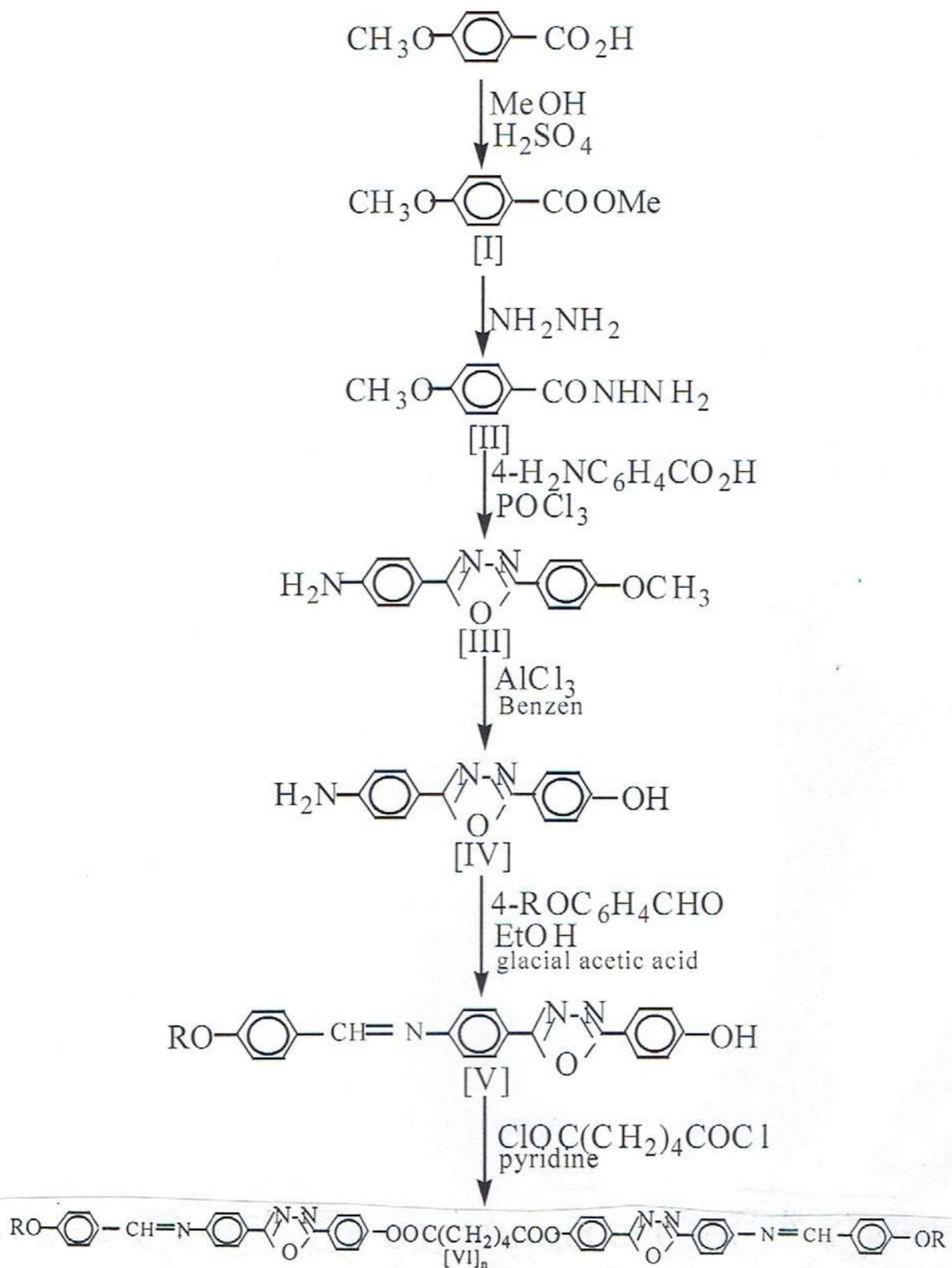
Experimental

Materials : Most of chemicals used were supplied from Fluka and BDH Chemicals Co. and used as received .

Techiques: The melting points were recorded by using an (Electrothermal) melting point apparatus . Elemental analysis were carried out by using Carlo-Erba 5500 elemental analyzer . The IR spectra were recorded on a PYE-UNICAM type (1310) infrared spectrophotometer using potassium bromide discs, and the FTIR were recorded on a Shimadzu FTIR-8300 fourier transform infrared spectrophotometer . Ultra-violate spectra were recorded on a Shimadzu UV-Visible-160 spectrophotometer .

Synthesis

The reaction sequence leading to the formation of different title compounds are outlined in Scheme 1.



R=C_nH_{n+1} , n=1-5

Scheme 1

Methyl 4-methoxy benzoate [I] : was prepared following the procedure described by Vogel (9).

m.p. : 49-51 °C (Lit. m.p. : 49-51 °C) .

4-Methoxy benzoyl hydrazine [II] : was prepared following the procedure described by Smith (10) . m.p. : 135-137 °C .

2-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-5-(4-aminophenyl)-1,3,4-oxadiazole [III]

A mixture of 4-methoxybenzoyl hydrazine (0.01mol), 4-amino benzoic acid (0.01 mol) and phosphorus oxy chloride (5mL) was refluxed for 7 hrs . The cold reaction mixture was poured into ice-water and made basic by adding sodium bicarbonate solution . The formed solid was filtered , dried and purified by refluxing with ethanol (11) , yield (89%) , m.p. 196 °C .

Elemental analysis : C₁₅H₁₃N₃O₂ ; Found : C%=67.89 , H%=5.44 , N%=15.49 : Calcd. : C%=67.41 , H%=4.86 , N%=15.73 .

2-(4-Hydroxyphenyl)-5-(4-aminophenyl)-1,3,4-oxadiazole [IV]

The anhydrous aluminum chloride (1gm) was added to the compound [III] (.09 gm,0.033 mol) that was dissolved in dry benzene 25 mL.The reaction mixture was refluxed for 10 hrs . The solvent was evaporated and the residue was poured into ice water . The solid was formed, collected and purified by dissolving in 30 ml of 10% NaOH solution . The remainder solid was filtered and the filtrate was neutralized with 10% HCl . The crude product precipitate during the neutralization was collected by filtration ,washed with water several times and dried to give the desired compound [IV] (12) , yield 90% , m.p. >300 °C .

2-(4-Hydroxyphenyl)-5-[(4-(4-alkoxybenzylidene)amino phenyl]-1,3,4-oxadiazole[V]_n

A mixture of compound [IV] (0.01 mol) , 4-alkoxybenzaldehyde (0.01 mol) , absolute ethanol (15 mL) and glacial acetic acid (5 drops) was refluxed for 48 hrs . The solvent was evaporated and the residue was poured into ice water . The resulting precipitate was collected and recrystallized from chloroform . The physical properties for the synthesized compounds are given in table 1 .

Bis2-[5-{4-(4-n-alkoxybenzylidene)aminophenyl}-1,3,4-oxadiazolyl]-4-phenyl adipate [VI]_n

To a stirred solution of compound [V]_n (0.02 mol) , dry pyridine (5mL) was added dropwise adipoyl chlorid (0.01 mol) at 4 °C . After

addition has been completed, the resulting mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 5 hrs . Afterwards, the mixture was poured into 100 mL of 10% HCl . The precipitate was formed , filtered and washed with solution of 10% NaHCO₃ , then washed with water several times , dried and recrystallized from acetone . The physical properties of the new synthesized compounds are given in table 2.

Results and Discussion

Methyl-4-methoxy benzoate [I] was obtained by esterification of 4-methoxy benzoic acid (Anisic acid) with methanol . The reaction of 4-methoxy methyl benzoate with hydrazine hydrate in ethanol under reflux gave 4-methoxy benzoyl hydrazine [II] in 95% yield . Condensation of acid hydrazide [II] with 4-aminobenzoic acid in the presence of dehydrating agent phosphorus oxychloride yielded the oxadiazole derivative [III] . The structure of this compound was confirmed by elemental analysis and spectral data (IR , FTIR and UV spectra) .

The IR-absorption spectrum of this compound showed disappearance of absorption bands due to C=O stretching (amid) of hydrazide [II] together with the appearance of a stretching band at 1610 cm⁻¹ which is assigned to C=N stretching of oxadiazole ring . It also shows two peaks at 3200 cm⁻¹ , 3350 cm⁻¹ , which are assigned to the symmetric and asymmetric stretching bands of NH₂ group and at 1070 cm⁻¹ , 1245 cm⁻¹ due to symmetrical and asymmetrical C-O-C stretching vibration . FTIR-spectrum show : two peaks at 3222.8 cm⁻¹ and 3344.3 cm⁻¹ attributed to the NH₂ group , peak at 3074.3 cm⁻¹ due to aromatic CH₂ group , two peaks in the region (2841-2935.5) cm⁻¹ due to aliphatic CH₂ group , and a band at 1608.5 cm⁻¹ could be attributed to the C=N stretching of vibration of oxadiazole ring . UV spectrum of oxadiazole [III] in DMSO (solvent) [1× 10⁻³ mol/L] gives the λ_{max} 305.4 nm (ε_{max}=1.48) .

Compound [III] was demethylated with aluminum chloride to give the desired 2-(4-hydroxyphenyl)-5-(4-amino phenyl)-1,3,4-oxadiazole [IV] .

The synthesized compound was characterized by IR , FTIR and UV spectra .

The characteristic of IR-absorption bands showed the disappearance of absorption bands due to -CH₃ aliphatic stretching of

[III] together with the appearance of a broad band in the range (3160-3380) cm^{-1} due to hydrogen bonding (O-H) stretching. FTIR spectrum give : 3382.9 cm^{-1} (broad peak of O-H group) ; 1610.5 cm^{-1} (C=N of oxadiazole ring). UV spectrum of this compound in DMSO (as a solvent) [1×10^{-3} mol/L] gives the λ_{max} 306.2 nm ($\epsilon_{\text{max}}=0.75$).

The new series of Schiff's bases $[\text{V}]_n$ was synthesized by condensation of 2-(4-hydroxy phenyl)-5-(4-amino phenyl)-1,3,4-oxadiazole [IV] with 4-alkoxy benzaldehyde. These Schiff's bases $[\text{V}]_n$ were identified by elemental analysis, IR, UV, and FTIR spectroscopy.

IR spectra of these compounds showed the disappearances of two absorption bands due to NH_2 stretching and appearance of absorption band at (1660-1680) cm^{-1} is attributed to the C=N stretching. They also showed bands at (2815-2935) cm^{-1} are due to aliphatic (C-H) stretching. FTIR spectra give : 3295.9 cm^{-1} (broad peak of O-H group); 1660 cm^{-1} (C=N of azomethine group) ; 1606.6 cm^{-1} (C=N of oxadiazole ring). UV spectra of these compounds were obtained in chloroform [1×10^{-3} mol/L], the UV data of these compounds (λ_{max}) are given in Table (1).

The new homologous series $[\text{VI}]_n$ were prepared by the reaction of compounds $[\text{V}]_n$ with adipoyl chloride.

The structure of compounds $[\text{VI}]_n$ identified by IR and FTIR spectra. The IR-spectra of these compounds showed significant peaks in the region (1710 –1720) cm^{-1} attributed to the stretching vibration of the carbonyl of the ester group and two peaks at (1170-1250) cm^{-1} could be attributed to the O=C-O bending. They also showed the disappearance of absorption bands due to O-H stretching of compounds $[\text{V}]_n$. Other peaks are given in Table 3. FTIR spectra exhibited : 2927.7 cm^{-1} (CH_2 aliphatic) ; 1715 cm^{-1} (C=O of ester group) ; (1255.6 and 1174.6) cm^{-1} (two peaks of O-C=O) ; 1660 cm^{-1} (C=N of azomethine group) ; 1604.7 cm^{-1} (C=N of oxadiazole ring).

Biological Activity

Synthesised $[\text{IV}]_n$ series of compounds have been screened for their antibacterial activity by agar growth technique against two type of bacteria viz., *Escherichia Coli* (Gram-negative bacteria) and *Staphylococcus* (Gram-positive bacteria). The diameter of the bacteria colony was measured at three different concentrations 0.1mg/mL, 0.01mg/mL, 0.001 mg/mL. The plates were incubated for 24 hrs at 37

°C. The zone of inhibition formed was measured in mm and are represented by (+) , (++) , (+++) depending upon the diameter and clarity . The results of the preliminary screening test are listed in Table 4 . From the data obtained in Table 4 , it is clear that all the tested compounds showed biological activity against *E. Coli* . Most of the tested compounds were found to be highly active at higher concentration 0.1 mg/mL, while slightly active and moderately active at 0.001 mg/mL concentration . But all these compounds were found to be inactive against *staphylococcus aureus* (G+) . In this series [VI]_n, the antibacterial activity showed a slight increase as the number of carbon atom in the terminal group (OR) .

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Table (1) The physical properties and UV data of the compounds [V]_n.

Comp. No.	Formula	m.p. (°C)	Yields (%)	Color	λ _{max} (nm)
[V] ₁	C ₂₂ H ₁₇ N ₃ O ₃	152	85	Pale yellow	308.6
[V] ₂	C ₂₃ H ₁₉ N ₃ O ₃	162	88	Yellow	312.0
[V] ₃	C ₂₄ H ₂₁ N ₃ O ₃	178	84	Yellow	309.4
[V] ₄	C ₂₅ H ₂₃ N ₃ O ₃	174	90	Brown	315.9
[V] ₅	C ₂₆ H ₂₅ N ₃ O ₃	184	79	Brown	323.4

Table 2) The physical properties of the compounds [VI]_n.

Comp. No.	Formula	m.p. (°C)	Yields (%)	Color
[VI] ₁	C ₅₀ H ₄₀ N ₆ O ₈	138	84	Brown
[VI] ₂	C ₅₂ H ₄₄ N ₆ O ₈	148	90.5	Brown
[VI] ₃	C ₅₄ H ₄₈ N ₆ O ₈	160	89	Brown
[VI] ₄	C ₅₆ H ₅₂ N ₆ O ₈	135	85	Brown
[VI] ₅	C ₅₈ H ₅₆ N ₆ O ₈	125	80	Brown

Table (3) Characteristic IR absorption bands of series [VI]_n.

Comp. No.	Characteristic bands IR spectra (cm ⁻¹)				
	νC-H Aliph.	νC=O Ester group	νC=N of Azomethine group	νC=N of Oxadiazole ring	δO=C-O
[VI] ₁	2850-2915	1715	1655	1600	1170 , 1245
[VI] ₂	2855-2920	1715	1660	1600	1165 , 1250
[VI] ₃	2855-2915	1710	1655	1600	1170 , 1250
[VI] ₄	2860-2920	1710	1655	1600	1170 , 1255
[VI] ₅	2850-2925	1710	1660	1600	1170 , 1255

Table (3) Results of antibacterial activity of the tested compounds [VI]_n at different concentrations.

Comp. No.	<i>Escherichi coli</i> (G-)			<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> (G+)		
	Concentration mg/mL			Concentration mg/mL		
	0.001	0.01	0.1	0.001	0.01	0.1
[VI] ₁	+	++	++	-	-	-
[VI] ₂	+	++	+++	-	-	-
[VI] ₃	+	+++	+++	-	-	-
[VI] ₄	++	+++	+++	-	-	-
[VI] ₅	++	+++	+++	-	-	-

Key to symbols : Highly active (+++) > 12 mm , Moderately active (++) = 9-12 mm , Slightly active (+) = 5-8 mm , Inactive (-) < 5 .

تحضير ودراسة الفعالية البايولوجية لبعض من قواعد شف الجديدة المحتوية على حلقة اوكسادايازول

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الخلاصة

ي حضر المركب 2- (4-ميثوكسي فنيل)-5-(4 - امينو فنيل)-4,3,1 -
اوكسادايازول [III] من تكاثف 4-ميثوكسي بنزوايل هيدرازين مع 4-امينوحامض
البنزويك بوجود $POCl_3$. يتفاعل المركب [III] المحضر مع كلوريد الالمنيوم ليعطي
المركب 2- (4 -هيدروكسي فنيل)-5-(4 - امينوفنيل) - 4,3,1 - اوكسادايازول
[IV] . تم الحصول على قواعد شف $[V]_n$ من تفاعل المركب الاخير [IV] مع 4-
ن-الكوكسي بنزالديهيد بوجود حامض الخليك الثلجي . حضرت السلسلة الجديدة $[VI]_n$
من تفاعل قواعد شف المحضرة في هذه الدراسة مع ثنائي كلوريد الحامض الكاربوكسيلي
(كلوريد الاديوبيل) في البيريدين الجاف بدرجة $4^\circ C$. شخّصت المركبات المحضرة
باستخدام التحليل الدقيق للعناصر والقياسات الطيفية . لقد تمت دراسة الفعالية البايولوجية
لجميع مركبات السلسلة الجديدة $[VI]_n$ باستخدام نوعين من البكتريا (G-) coli
Echerichia و Staphylococcus aureus(G+) ، واطهرت فعالية بايولوجية ضد
النوع الاول من البكتريا (G-) ولم تظهر أي فعالية بايولوجية تجاه النوع الاخر (G+) .